

House Resolution 1676

By: Representatives Smyre of the 132nd, Smith of the 131st, Buckner of the 130th, Hugley of the 133rd, and Smith of the 129th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Harold Eugene Bryant; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Mr. Harold Eugene Bryant on October 18, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant was born on October 19, 1941, in Columbus, Georgia, a beloved son
5 of the late James and Imogene Kendrick Bryant; and

6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Army Reserves as a major general, valiantly and courageously protecting democracy
8 and his fellow Americans; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant retired from Blue Cross Blue Shield after 35 years of dedicated
10 service as a senior vice president and was diligently and conscientiously devoting time,
11 talents, and energy to the Columbus Chamber of Commerce as vice president of
12 governmental affairs; and

13 WHEREAS, a community leader, Mr. Bryant was past general chairman of the Southern
14 Open and Buick Challenge Golf Tournaments, past president and active member of the
15 Rotary Club of East Columbus, past board member of PAWS, and current chairman of the
16 board for Community of Hero's; and

17 WHEREAS, Mr. Bryant was united in love and marriage for 49 wonderful years to his wife
18 Cynthia, and was blessed with the love and support of his family, Dawn and Fred Braswell
19 and Angie and Tim Coleman, eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren; and

20 WHEREAS, he gave inspiration to many through his high ideals, morals, and deep concern
21 for his fellow citizens, and the devotion, patience, and understanding he demonstrated to his
22 family and friends were admired by others; and

23 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
24 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
25 made this world a better place in which to live; and

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Bryant will long be remembered for
27 his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and
28 friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Harold Eugene Bryant
31 and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Harold
34 Eugene Bryant.